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Device System Name:

Occipital Cervical Fixation System

Implantation to be performed by a qualified surgeon



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1. Device Description

The Occipital cervical fixation System (OCFS) is intended to provide immobilization and stabilization of spinal segments as an adjunct to fusion for the following acute and chronic instabilities of the cranio-cervical junction, the cervical spine (C1 to C7) and the thoracic spine (T1-T3): traumatic spinal fractures and/or traumatic dislocations; instability or deformity; failed previous fusions (e.g. pseudoarthrosis); tumors involving the cervical/thoracic spine; and degenerative disease, including intractable radiculopathy and/or myelopathy, neck and/or arm pain of discogenic origin as confirmed by radiographic studies, and degenerative disease of the facets with instability.

The Occipital cervical fixation system consists of posterior cervical screws and cranial screws that are available in titanium alloy (Ti-6AL-4V, in accordance to ISO 5832-3), Sizes 3.0mm diameter and 10mm to 40mm length. Connecting rods are available in titanium alloy (Ti-6AL-4V, in accordance to ISO 5832-3) sizes 3.7mm diameter rod 40mm to 400mm length, cranio-vertebral junction plates are made of pure titanium (in accordance to ISO 5832-2) sizes available in 3 holes, 5 holes and 7 holes with 27mm-50mm length and in small, medium, large sizes.

2. Intended use:

The Occipito Cervical Fixation System is intended to provide stabilization and promote fusion of the Occipito-cervical junction. The Occipito-Cervical Fusion System includes a complete set of implants designed to optimize fixation to the occiput and easily connect with posterior cervical and thoracic rod screw systems.

3. Indication for use:

Occipital-cervical and upper cervical spine instabilities:

- Rheumatoid arthritis
- Congenital anomalies
- Posttraumatic conditions
- Tumors Infections

Instabilities in the lower cervical and upper thoracic spine:

- Posttraumatic conditions
- Tumors
- latrogenic instabilities following laminectomy etc.

Degenerative and painful posttraumatic conditions in the lower cervical and upper thoracic spine. Anterior cervical fusions requiring additional posterior stabilization.

4. Contraindications:

- Patients with probable intolerance to the materials used in the manufacture of this device.
- Patients with infection, inflammation, fever, elevated white blood count, obesity, pregnancy and other medical conditions which would prohibit beneficial surgical outcome.
- Patients resistant to following post-operative restrictions on movement, especially in athletic and occupational activities.
- Use with components from other systems or manufacturers.
- Grossly distorted anatomy caused by congenital abnormalities.
- Any other medical or surgical condition which would preclude the potential benefit of spinal implant surgery.
- Rapid joint disease, bone absorption, osteopenia. Osteoporosis is a relative contraindication since this condition may limit the degree of obtainable correction, stabilization, and/or the amount of mechanical fixation.
- Any case where the implant components selected for use would be too large or too small to achieve a successful result.
- Any patient having inadequate tissue coverage over the operative site or inadequate bone stock or quality.
- Any patient in which implant utilization would interfere with anatomical structures or expected physiological performance.



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- Any case not described in the indications for use.
- Reuse or multiple uses.
- Do not use this system in patients with known or suspected metal allergies

5. Potential Adverse Events:

- These devices can break, loosen or back out when subjected to increased loading associated with delayed union or nonunion.
- Foreign body (allergic) reaction to implants, debris formation from corrosion products, including metallosis, tissue staining, and immune responses to the materials, extrusion of graft material.
- Pressure on the skin from components in patients with inadequate tissue coverage over the implant possibly causing skin penetration, irritation, and/or pain.
- Post-operative change in spinal curvature, loss of correction, height, and/or reduction.
- Infection
- Vertebral body fracture at, above, or below the level of surgery.
- Loss of neurological function, including paralysis (complete or incomplete).
- Non-union, delayed union.
- Pain, discomfort, or abnormal sensations due to the presence of the device.
- Hemorrhage
- Cessation of any potential growth of the operated portion of the spine.
- Hematoma
- Death

Note: Additional surgery may be necessary to correct some of these adverse events.

6. Warnings and Precautions:

- The implantation of occipital cervical fixation systems must be performed only by experienced spinal surgeons with
 specific training in the use of this occipital fixation system because this is a technically demanding procedure presenting a
 risk of serious injury to the patient.
- Re-use of devices labeled as single-use, could result in injury or re-operation due to breakage or infection.
- Do not re-sterilize single use implants that come in contact with body fluids.
- Corrosion/Metal compatibility: Dissimilar metals in contact with each other can accelerate the corrosion process due to galvanic corrosion effects. Thus, mixing implant components from different manufacturers is not recommended for metallurgical, mechanical and functional reasons.
- The screws, plates, rods, connectors and instruments are sold non-sterile and therefore must be sterilized before use.
- The implants are provided non-sterile. Prior to use, each implant must be sterilized according to standard hospital procedure.
- Based on the fatigue testing results, the physician should consider the levels of implantation, patient's weight, patient's activity level, and other patient conditions which may impact the performance of the system.
- To optimize bony union, perform an anterior discectomy or corpectomy as indicated.
- To facilitate fusion, a sufficient quantity of autologous bone should be used.
- Excessive torque applied to the screws when seating the plate may strip the threads in the bone.
- Failure to achieve arthrodesis will result in eventual loosening and failure of the construct.
- Occipital cervical fixation System has not been evaluated for safety and compatibility in the MR environment.
- Risks associated with general surgery, orthopedic surgery, and the use of general anesthesia, should be explained to the
 patient prior to surgery. It is also recommended that the advantages and disadvantages of surgery, the implants as well as
 alternative treatment methods be explained to the patient.
- Potential risks associated with the use of medical implants, which may require additional surgery include.
 - 1. Device or component failure (bending, loosening or failure).
 - 2. Loss of fixation.
 - 3. Non-union
 - 4. Fracture



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- 5. Neurological injury.
- 6. Vascular and visceral injury.
- 7. Neurological complications.
- 8. Over distraction.
- 9. Trauma to nerve root or dura.
- 10. Incorrect implant positioning.
- 11. Implant migration.
- 12. Allergic or inflammation
- 13. General adverse effects related to surgical procedures (E.g.: anesthesia, infections)
- 14. Subsidence, expulsion.

7. Implant Selection:

The selection of the proper size, shape, and design of the implant for each patient is crucial to the success of the procedure. Metallic surgical implants are subject to repeated stresses in use, and their strength is limited by the need to adapt the design to the size and shape of human bones. Unless great care is taken in patient selection, proper placement of the implant, and post- operative management to minimize stresses on the implant, such stresses may cause metal fatigue and consequent breakage, bending or loosening of the device before the healing process is complete, which may result in further injury or the need to remove the device prematurely.

8. Pre-operative:

- Carefully screen the patient, choosing only those that fit the indications described above.
- The implant is provided non-sterile and should be stored in its original packaging until sterilized. Prior to use, each implant must be sterilized according to standard hospital procedure. See "Sterilization" section for details.
- The implants should not be scratched bent repeatedly or otherwise damaged. Store away from corrosive environments.
- An adequate inventory should be available at surgery than the exact device expected to be used.
- All components and instruments should be cleaned and sterilized prior to each use. Additional sterile components should be available in case of an unexpected need.

9. Intra-operative:

- Instructions should be carefully followed.
- Extreme caution should be exercised around the spinal cord and nerve roots.
- The implant surface should not be scratched or notched since such actions may reduce the functional strength of the construct.
- Proper handling of the implant before and during the operation is crucial. Contouring of metallic implants should be avoided. If contouring of the plate is necessary, use the two plate bending forceps when contouring the implant. Avoid sharp bends, reverse bending, notching or scratching the device, as these factors may produce internal stresses and weaken the implant.
- Bone grafts must be placed in the area to be fused such that the grafts fits snugly against the upper and lower vertebral bodies.
- Before closing the incision, check each screw to make sure that none have loosened.

10. Post-operative:

- The patient should be advised about the advantages and disadvantages of the implant and of any postoperative limitations.
- The patient should be advised about weight bearing and load bearing stresses on the device which could affect secure bone healing
- To achieve best results, the patient should not be exposed to excessive mechanical vibrations. The patient should not smoke or consume alcohol during the healing process.
- The patient should be advised on their limitations and taught to compensate for this permanent physical restriction in body motion
- If a non-union develops, or if the components loosen, the devices should be revised or removed before serious injury



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occurs. Failure to immobilize the non-union, or a delay in such, will result in excessive and repeated stresses on the implant. It is important that immobilization of the spinal segment be maintained until fusion has occurred

 The implants are temporary internal fixation devices. Internal fixation devices are designed to stabilize the spine during the normal healing process. After the spine is fused, the devices serve no functional purpose and can be removed.

11. Cleaning and Decontamination:

All instruments and implants are provided non-sterile and must be sterilized prior to use. All components are sterilizable by steam autoclave using standard hospital practices.

Implants are supplied in steam sterilizable medical grade validated pouches. Implants and Instruments should be sterilized in closed container (provided by Jayon implants)

12. Sterilization:

Implants & Instruments:

The following procedure is applicable for both implants & instruments.

Carry out sterilization by steam autoclaving at 121°C Celsius/15 PSI pressure for 20 minutes a manner that protects the integrity of the implants. Do not sterilize implants in contact with instruments or implants of other materials. Metallic oxide could transfer to the implant, initiating undesirable conditioning. Re sterilization is possible upto 200 cycles.

Method	Cycle	Temperature	Minimum exposure time	Drying Time
Moist Heat	Pre-vacuum	(121 °c) at 15 Psi	20 min	20 min

Note:

- Steam sterilization should be carried out at the hospital.
- Because of the many variables involved in sterilization, each medical facility should calibrate & verify this sterilization process (Eg: temperature, time) used for their equipment.

13. Packaging:

Packages for each of the components should be intact upon receipt. If a consignment system is used, all sets should be carefully checked for completeness and all components should be carefully checked for damage prior to use.

The Jayon occipital cervical fixation system implants and instruments are provided in modular cases specifically intended to contain and organize each systems component. The instruments are organized into trays within each modular case for easy retrieval during surgery. The trays also provide protection to the system components during shipping. Additionally, individual instruments and implants are provided in sealed pack with individual product labels.

14. Storage:

Store implants prior to use in such a manner as to maintain the device's surface finish or configuration, or both. Implants are identified by a reference number and lot number on the package label, package insert, or surface of the device. Record these control numbers and retain for transfer to patient records, to facilitate inventory, stock rotation, medical device reporting, and possible traceability to the manufacturer. Stock rotation, the principle of first in, first out, is recommended. Store implants in the operating room in such a manner as to isolate and protect the implant's surface, sterility, and configuration. Keep implants made of different metals separated. Store the implants in the operating room in such a manner as to isolate the instruments from the implants.



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15. MRI compatibility Information:

Titanium is MRI Compatible as per researches carried out worldwide, hence Jayon Occipital cervical fixation system need not been evaluated for safety and compatibility in the MR environment. Jayon Occipital cervical fixation system has also not been tested for heating and migration in the MR environment.

16. Traceability:

There is always a lot/batch number on the label provided for each Jayon Occipital cervical fixation system components. This label with batch number must be attached to the file of the patient in order to trace back production details. For the same reason distributional documents have to be maintained for 15 years.

17. Product Complaints:

Communicate suspected deficiencies in the product quality, identity, durability, reliability, safety, effectiveness, and/or performance directly to JAYON IMPLANTS PVT LTD by email: <u>feedbacks@jayon.in</u>, +91-491-2566816.When filing a complaint, please provide the component name(s), part number(s), lot number(s), your name and address, the nature of the complaint, surgeon name and the date you became aware of the complaint. Sterilize and return all component(s) to your local Jayon Implants representative or distributor. Notify Jayon Implants immediately of an incident resulting in serious injury or patient death.



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